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Champagne From a Slipper

Spy Trial Witness Tells of Wild Party

MOSCOW, May 10 (UPI) — Russia's espionage trial resumed in an open court today with tales of wild Parisian parties where one of the defendants, a former Soviet official, allegedly drank champagne from a lady's slipper.

Named by a witness as the unnamed party-gour was Penkovsky, 43, who already has testified that moral depravity induced him to spy for the West.

PENALTY

He and his co-defendant, former scientific official, Oleg British businessman Greville Wynne, 42, face a possible maximum penalty of death for allegedly passing Russian secrets to British and American agents. Both men have pleaded guilty. Wynne denied knowing he "was passing secrets."

Today's first witness, Igor Rudnitsky, described "the debauched life," allegedly led by Penkovsky.

Rudnitsky said he had known Penkovsky for 10 or 12 years. He described how they went to concerts, stadiums and restaurants looking for women, and that once in Paris he and his "friend" went to a "wild party" where they drank champagne from slippers.

Yesterday's trial sessions were held behind closed doors while the three-man military court heard detailed testimony about the secrets allegedly passed by the defendants.

The Soviet Union press demanded that both defend-

ants be dealt with sternly, possibly foreshadowing stiff sentences.

Earlier in the trial, Penkovsky testified that although he had many mistresses, he never considered defecting to the West because of his wife and children.

Western experts in Moscow said the verdict probably would come tomorrow or Monday.

Yesterday's session, held behind closed doors, presumably to hear details of the secrets the defendants allegedly passed to the West during 1961 and 1962.

The trial so far has produced exotic testimony about clandestine meetings, contacts at swank embassy receptions, sex, secret messages hidden in candy and special signals marked on Moscow telephone poles.